

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 893

February 17, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes a candidate in any election to seek damages against a person responsible for distributing or publishing false campaign literature about the candidate.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

Assumption:

- The bill creates a cause of action for defamation against a party responsible for the distribution of false statements against a candidate and would have no fiscal impact on state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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